

# COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT PUBLIC NOTICE BOARD OF DIRECTORS STUDY SESSION

A study session for the Board of Directors of the Colorado City Metropolitan District will be held Tuesday October 25, 2022, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Chairman Elliot calls the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Budget Draft set Nov public hearing Nov 22
 The budget is still a work in progress until December. Nothing is set now; discussion can be made at the next meeting as it gets closer to the deadline. Mr. Collins asked about the rural water info. Moved to another time.

## 2. Sewer Rat Estimate

Manager Eccher has been in contact with the state and we an proceed at this time and is recommended to move forward with. The price is \$93,000 and a breakdown was included in the packet. Main point is that it can be done within 25 days. How are we going to pay for it. Finance Director Ms. Barron shared her thoughts. Could affect the budget. It is not capital.

# 3. Truck for Parks and Rec

There is money in the budget this year for another truck. Josh Briggs has been looking into finding a used truck currently for Parks and Rec. Manager Eccher is asking the Board for approval of the \$15,000.00 limit to find a truck before the end of the year. Board Members are in favor of the approval and there is the money in the budget.

- 4. Water rates and DOLA Fees Discussion
  - Still the works with Manager Eccher and Gary Golladay to come up with firm numbers. Manager Eccher presented preliminary numbers at this time that come to about 7 tenths of an increase. Numbers are still being worked on to present at the Public Hearing that is scheduled for November 22<sup>nd</sup>. Mr. Collins questions the numbers and is sharing at this time that he would like better numbers and shared a contact at Rural Water with Manager Eccher that can also assist in this endeavor.
- 5. CCAAC enforcement discussion, Small Claims court and cost Provided is an email that proceeds with what actions should be taken after the third action. We have the option to use an attorney or proceed on our own, which we can as a committee do 2 a month or ???? per year. There is a suggestion for the first 2 that we would move forward with. Mr. Collins asked if the recommendation for us to do on our own and what is the purpose of the Small claims court. Basically, comes down to monies and attorney fees. Shared the fees that can be received through small claims. There is still a long process involved that cost can be recouped, with action by the Sherriff and possibly a lien on the property. Mr. Elliot has correspondence to share from Sherriff Lucero.

## 6. CCAAC Review

Chairman Elliot has recommended a Garage and a new build, 1 first letter, 2 second letter and 2 small claims filings on behalf of the CCAAC. He went over the spreadsheet that was included in the packet with the Board Members and has asked the, to thoroughly review the cases in question. This will be a learning process, but the momentum needs to stand strong.

COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT

Neil Elliot, Chairman

ATTEST:

Harry Hochstetler, Treasurer

Approved this 8th day of November 2022

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## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Colorado City Metropolitan District will be held Tuesday October 25, 2022, beginning at 6:15 p.m. Chairman Elliot called the meeting to order at 6:44 p.m.

- CALL TO ORDER.
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.
- MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION.
- 4. QUORUM CHECK

Chairperson Neil Elliot Secretary Greg Collins Treasurer Harry Hochstetler Director Sarah Hunter Director Terry Kraus

Also in Attendance:
Jim Eccher, District Manager
Yvonne Barron, Finance Director
Greg Bailey/Gary Golladay Water & Sewer
Ayden Gillund Utilities

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Kraus motions to approve the Agenda with the additions of Public Hearing Minutes from October 11, 2022 and CCAAC Minutes October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Mr. Collins seconds the motion. Chairman Elliot calls the vote. All Board Members are in favor. The Agenda is approved with the additions of the Public Hearing and CCAAC Minutes.

- 6. PUBLIC HEARING: Tap Fees and Moratorium of Taps
  Chairman Elliot closes the Regular Meeting at 6:47 p.m. See separate Pull Hearing Minutes
- 7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

Regular Meeting October 11,2022
Public Hearing October 11, 2022
CCAAC Minutes October 6, 2022
CCAAC Minutes October 20, 2022

Mr. Kraus motions to approve the above-mentioned Minutes. Mr. Collins seconds the motion. Chairman Elliot calls the vote. All Board Members are in favor. Meeting Minutes and the Public Hearing are approved.

# 8. BILLS PAYABLE.

Mr. Hochstetler motions to approve the second round of Bills. Mr. Collins seconds the motion. Open for questions. Chairman Elliot would like a breakdown of the \$2500.00 attorney bill for CCAAC. Ms. Barron will provide to him. Chairman Elliot calls the vote. All Board Members are in favor of paying the bills.

# 9. FINANCIAL REPORT.

Manager Eccher did share that we are doing better than last year and that the Metro is up in most Departments. We are completing more capital improvements. Everything is going in the right direction.

## 10. OPERATIONAL REPORT.

Beckwith Dam report

Manager Eccher went over all reports and correspondence that was included in the packet with the Board. He is also looking into more Grants with a 50/50 match and looking to DOLA as another option to get the project fully funded.

- a. Committee Reports Newsletter / Project/ Utility Manager / Budget / Post Office Mr. Hochstetler will have the monthly newsletter into the office by Thursday to have included in this months billing. Mr. Kraus will have an update on a Project/Utility Manager ready by the next meeting.
- 11. READING BY CHAIRPERSON OF THE STATEMENT OF CONDUCT AND DEMEANOR.
- 12. CITIZENS INPUT.

**Dennis Kahrs**, shared that he will be traveling to Arizona for the next 5 months and will be attending our meetings via Zoom, as he is impressed with accomplishments that have been made recently. He also wanted to acknowledge that he feels the Board and CCMD is doing a great job and to keep up the good work. He does want us to keep the burn pile and clean up days in mind until he returns.

- 13. ATTORNEYS REPORT: N/A
- 14. AGENDA ITEMS:

Manager Eccher at this time would like to ask the Board for the next meeting that will land on Election Day November 8, 2022, be moved to 7:00 p.m. instead of 6:00 p.m. The Board agrees.

## **Sewer Rat**

# Discussion/Action

Mr. Collins motions to approve the Sewer Rat contract. Mrs. Hunter seconds the motion. The question is posed if the funds are available. Ms. Barron shared that the debt ration \$90,000.00 and that we could be a little short. Chairman Elliot calls the vote. Mr. Kraus yes. Mr. Collins yes. Mrs. Hunter yes. Mr. Hochstetler yes. Chairman Elliot yes. Motion approved.

# Tap Fees

# **Discussion/ Action**

Mr. Collins motions to raise the Tap Fees to \$20,000.00; \$11,000.00 for water and \$9000.00 for sewer. Mrs. Hunter seconds the motion. Chairman Elliot calls the vote. Mr. Collins yes. Mr. Hochstetler yes. Mrs. Hunter yes. Mr. Kraus yes. Chairman Elliot no. Motions passes to increase tap fees to \$20,000.00.

## Moratorium on Taps

## Discussion/Action

Mr. Kraus motions that we put moratorium on all new taps through December 2022. Mr. Collins seconds the motion. Open for discussion. MR. Kraus would like to know the current taps that have been completed. Open one tap in November and 1 tap December. Then have updated information for the 2023 meeting to make a better decision for 2023. Chairman Elliot calls the vote. Mr. Hochstetler yes. Mrs. Hunter yes. Mr. Collins yes. Mr. Kraus yes. Chairman Elliot yes Moratorium is approved.

# **Parks and Rec Truck**

# Discussion /Action

Chairman Elliot calls the vote for approval of \$15,000.00 for a Parks and Rec truck purchase. Mrs. Hunter yes. Mr. Hochstetler yes. Mr. Collins yes. Mr. Kraus yes. Chairman Elliot no. Truck can be purchased.

15. OLD BUSINESS. Covenants Lawyer/Applewood Park//Lot Line Vacation for 70 & 71 unit 20
Utility Director/Gravel Status /Sewer Rat/Video for Board Room
Applewood Park is so close. The vacate process is almost completed and eminent domain does not

Come into play with, can be listed as part of the green belt. The gravel portion should be completed by the End of the week and the process of moving to the park can begin. Manager Eccher pointed out the new video equipment being used this evening for the first test run. Equipment was provided to CCMD through a grant at no cost to the community.

At this time Chairman Elliot took a moment to share that himself and Mr. Hochstetler had a change to be a

The Rec Center and see all of the improvements that are taking place. He talked about the pool table, foos ball table and really impressed with projection screen. Feels that this will be a great asset to the community and wanted to give Josh Briggs a huge kudos.

## 16. NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Collins has asked the Boards permission to install a game camera that he has purchased himself. He would like to install the camera himself in the area were there has been illegal dumping to try and help monitor. The camera will be placed on CCMD property. Board does not have an issue and thanks Mr. Collins.

## 17. CCACC:

- A. New Construction
  - a. 6265 Waco Mish

Garage

Mr. Hochstetler motions to approve garage build. Mrs. Hunter seconds the motion. The vote is called.

Mr. Hochstetler yes. Mrs. Hunter yes. Mr. Collins yes. Chairman Elliot yes. Garage is approved.

b. 4375 Mustang Drive

House

Mr. Collins motions to approve the new residential home build. Mrs. Hunter seconds. The votes is called. Mrs. Hunter yes. Mr. Hochstetler yes. Chairman Elliot yes. Mr. Collins yes. Mr. Kraus. New Build is approved.

- B. Actions
  - a. 1 First Letters
  - b 2 Second letters
  - c. 0 Third letters

Mr. Collins motions to approve 1 first letter and 2 second letters to be sent. Mrs. Hunter seconds the motion. The vote is called. Mr. Hochstetler yes. Mrs. Hunter yes. Mr. Collins yes. Mr. Kraus yes. Chairman Elliot yes. Letters are approved to be sent.

d. 2 Small claims cases to file

Mr. Collins motions to file 2 cases to small claims court. Mr. Kraus seconds the motion. The vote is called. Mrs. Hunter yes. Mr. Collins yes. Mr. Kraus yes. Mr. Hochstetler yes. Chairman Elliot yes. Approval to move forward with 2 small claims cases to begin process.

18. CORRESPONDENCE: 2 Letter of communication

Manager Eccher presented and read correspondence from Harry Hochstetler that was included in the agenda packet. Chairman Elliot presented reprimand letters that will be presented to 2 CCAAC committee members in order to put into public minutes. The mentioned correspondence did bring up multiple issues with CCAAC and the bottom line and something that will need to be out into place is a Policy and Procedure for CCAAC.

# 19. EXECUTIVE SESSION: N/A

## 20. ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. Collins motions to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Kraus seconds the motion. Chairman Elliot adjourns the meeting at 8:32 p.m.

# **COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT**

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Approved this 8th day of November 2022

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